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Armstrong, Barbara L

From: Milner, Christy E  
 Sent: Tuesday, March 03, 2009 8:15 AM  
 To: Armstrong, Barbara L; Anske, Kay L; Walker, Marlan C  
 C: Cotton, Melissa E  
 Subject: FW: [REDACTED] DNA test falsifications

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More from Ms. [REDACTED] ..

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From: jennifer hemsley [mailto:jennifer\_hemsley@yahoo.com]  
 Sent: Monday, March 02, 2009 6:01 PM  
 To: Milner, Christy E  
 C: jfixel@fixellawoffices.com  
 Subject: Re: Hemsley Family-DNA test falsifications

Ms. Milner,

Thank you so much for your reply. I cannot tell you how grateful I am that someone is taking this seriously. Thank you for that.

I have to let you know, I just got off a phone conversation with another adoptive parent who was also referred a stolen child (the child was 4, and she told a psychologist in Antigua that she in fact had been taken by force from her mother). The adoption did not proceed. However, again the child was granted immigration pre-approval on a DNA test done by [REDACTED]

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This is not surprising, however, the story that she told me was. She actually visited the doctor's office (I believe our Panel Physician Dr. [REDACTED]) for a different adoption for another child for the second DNA test.

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*She was told point blank, the beneficiary child did not need to see the doctor, and DIDN'T EVEN NEED TO PROVIDE A DNA SAMPLE "that it was all taken care of".* She had no clue what was going on.... most adoptive parents do not. After paying \$160, she had the examination report (which never happened) delivered to a hotel room. The doctor never saw the child, and may not even know this is going on. The person behind the counter took the money, and handled everything. This a-mother was told the doctor was out for the day.

The child later "passed" the second DNA test, without ever providing a sample she knows of.

This isn't surprising to me, but is this not more evidence that there is a stockpile of DNA samples? What about the children still being processed in this manner? *The doctor's office she visited is a Grupo Pediatrico office (many of these bogus tests are) Calle 25-19 VH1 Zona 15 Edif. Multimédica Office 1508 or 1405.*

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Which of these offices [REDACTED] worked out of.

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Please look into this. Someone should be held accountable for this. I cannot fathom how many children have been processed illegally, and still are.

Thank you,

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
 REVIEW AUTHORITY: FRANK TUMMINIA  
 DATE/CASE ID: 23 JUN 2011 201001154

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**From:** "Milner, Christy E" <MilnerCE@state.gov>**To:** [REDACTED]**Cc:** "Anske, Kay L" <AnskeKL@state.gov>; "Armstrong, Barbara L" <ArmstrongBL@state.gov>**Sent:** Monday, March 2, 2009 5:03:52 PM**Subject:** RE: [REDACTED] DNA test falsifications

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[REDACTED] thank you very much for the additional information. This is helpful to us to follow-up on this and I will get back to you soon.

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**From:** [REDACTED]**Sent:** Monday, March 02, 2009 2:00 PM**To:** Milner, Christy E; [REDACTED]**Subject:** Re: [REDACTED] DNA test falsifications

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Ms. Milner,

Please forgive the length of this letter, and I thank you very much for your time and communication with me. I am very passionate about the children and women of Guatemala, along with adopting families. I have tried for a long, long time to have someone listen. I have met [REDACTED] and seen what effects of her child being kidnapped had on her, and the scars on her wrists where she tried to take her own life. That is why I am so passionate about this, and passionate that something is done, and someone listens.... because no one is but you.

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To answer your questions, I assume the results and copy of [REDACTED] DNA test went to USCIS/USE Guatemala from Labcorp directly. Adoptive parents never have custody of the test results as to prevent tampering as I understand. I assume at some point the USE Guatemala saw this DNA test, as we were issued immigration pre-approval in December, 2007.

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Our Guatemalan "representative" (as you have called him below) is under investigation for money laundering and adoption crimes by the MP in Guatemala. He is a criminal. He tried to "take" (for lack of a better word) [REDACTED] from our nanny when he knew our case was going to be exposed for fraud. When I tried to report [REDACTED] he was trying to take [REDACTED] by force without consent to the USE, I was hung up on, not once, but 4 times. *It is when we turned to [REDACTED] and the CNA for help to protect Hazel.* What they would have done to her is not something I can bear to think about. So, I doubt that a person with [REDACTED] ethics would report any type of fraud to the USE.

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Our agency (Adoption Blessings Worldwide) was involved in the kidnapping of "Angie" and closed down in July, 2008 under numerous allegations of fraud. This agency, who was owned by [REDACTED] had closed down another agency due to the same allegations of offering "un-adoptable" children from Vietnam years earlier. So, I doubt that a person with [REDACTED] ethics would report fraud to the USE, either.

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How is a US citizen supposed to get help, report fraud, or get advocacy by the government when they are totally ignored? Do you know this is a consistent complaint of US citizens adopting from Guatemala? *I have repeatedly turned to the USE Guatemala for assistance on our case, and been consistently dismissed. I can't even get an appointment after they contacted me once the AP article came out.*

The MP in Guatemala is doing a new DNA test at their national lab in Spain. Results take 3 months. Results should be back end of April. We tried for a year to have [redacted] bring in the "birthmother" for B6ew DNA test. He refused. Now, he is under court order to comply.

As far as our DNA test, I have no idea if the *results* were falsified. I have said repeatedly that the *dates* were falsified. *But why falsify the dates? When samples are not tested for specific persons, only mother-daughter or mother-son of Guatemalan heritage, samples can be "switched" or sent in (in place of) the actual samples to get a "match", when the sample taking is not monitored. This is how stolen child [redacted] (and B6her stolen children) have passed the USE ordered DNA test and were issued immigration pre-approval, and why falsifications of the testing date are critical. I theorize that [redacted] and/or Grupo Pediatrico (probably the Zona 15 office) has a storage of "matches" to send in at will (even for the second test).*

On our test, the chain of custody was broken, negating the legality of our DNA test, and the door to doubt is open. It is NOT a legal sample, and should not be used for immigration purposes as per your own guidelines for immigration.

I had custody of [redacted] on that day, October 4, 2007. I am certain what I was doing on that day, B6it is my anniversary. As I have stated, I was living in Guatemala. She was not giving DNA samples, nor did she on any day I had custody of her (I was her legal foster mother). With the sample taking unmonitored the possibility of a switch is open on our test. *We don't know what happened, and why they falsified the date on our test. That is what we froze the adoption to get a legal test done and verify [redacted]'s birthmother.* B6

Why is the USE and the US DOS/USCIS/DHS not following their own written policies and guidelines for these tests? Why has the procedure not changed to protect all involved? *What is the job of the US government if not to protect US citizens?*

Why the individuals exposed for this fraud are not being charged with fraud is beyond comprehension. *I have seen the DNA tests of both [redacted] and three other stolen children referred to US citizens, and B6 FOUR had Grupo Pediatrico and/or [redacted] on their DNA tests (like ours) none are USE Panel B6 Physicians released on lists provided to the public, and all 4 stolen children received immigration pre-approval from the USE.*

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Because these children were stolen, *there is no other explanation how these children passed the DNA tests unless the DNA was switched*. The USE Guatemala required this test to be conducted (and paid for) by adopting parents, yet they are not even monitoring these tests, and protecting US and Guatemalan citizens from fraud.

I sincerely hope that for the protection of all involved in these processes, that you will do your best to fully investigate and prosecute those that are undertaking these horrendous activities. To date, these tests are still being processed in the same manner. NEW DNA tests should be ordered, at least in cases of DNA being processed by the individuals exposed for DNA fraud (switching) to protect everyone. If you are going to insist adopting parents pay for these tests, the least you can do is properly enforce the safeguards you established.

DNA procedures and processes are so lax at the USE Guatemala, that recently a family was issued immigration approval on a 2nd DNA test the USE hadn't even seen yet, and was still at Labcorp.

Children are being stolen, or not relinquished in legal fashion, and issued immigration pre-approval. But *the US government cannot claim ignorance as to how this is happening*. Please help protect everyone in this process! I have had so many local and federal authorities pass the buck and claim "it's out of my scope", and refuse to do anything. If it is not in your "scope", please find the person's whose scope it is in, and follow up to make sure this is corrected and more lives aren't irreparably damaged.

I have attached another copy of our Labcorp DNA test, along with a posting from Guatadopt.com, where Labcorp employee [ ] posts that they are aware DNA samples are "held" before being sent to the B6 for testing.

Thank you,

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From: "Milner, Christy E" <MilnerCE@state.gov>

To: [ ]  
Cc: "Armstrong, Barbara L" <ArmstrongBL@state.gov>; "Anske, Kay L" <AnskeKL@state.gov>

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**Sent:** Monday, March 2, 2009 12:10:20 PM**Subject:** RE: [REDACTED] DNA test falsifications

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I have requested a copy of your DNA results on file with USCIS, if there are any. I understand from the e-mail string below that the government of Guatemala is investigating your adoption and that you believe the DNA results were falsified because you had the child in your position on the day that the blood was supposedly drawn. Was this the first DNA test or the second? I am assuming that if you reported that the DNA results were false that you or your representative did not turn them in to USCIS, so if you could provide us with a scanned copy, that would be very helpful.

Christy Milner

Vice-Consul, Guatemala

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 27, 2009 1:05 PM  
**To:** Milner, Christy E  
**Subject:** Re: [REDACTED] DNA test falsifications

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Yes

Ok to send

Please keep me updated

I am particularly interested in what is being done with [REDACTED] and why no processes have been clB6ged to date

Thank you for your attention to this serious matter

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 27, 2009, at 8:44 AM, "Milner, Christy E" <[MilnerCE@state.gov](mailto:MilnerCE@state.gov)> wrote:

No. Mr. [REDACTED] is the non-immigrant visa chief. My intention was to share this information with the fraudB6 chief, Mr. Marlan Walker, so that we might better respond to your questions. However, if it makes you uncomfortable, I will not forward them.

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 27, 2009 9:34 AM

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To: Milner, Christy E; Adoptions, Guatemala; [REDACTED]  
 Cc: Steinke, Kenya W; Steinke, Kenya W; Accius, Yvon; Morales, Astrid; Concepcion, Alice; Anske, Kay L;  
 Roma, Joseph T (Mexico City); Concepcion, Alice; Cotton, Melissa E; Roma, Joseph T; Accius, Yvon  
 Subject: Re: Hemsley Family-DNA test falsifications

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Mr. Howard Betts? I spoke to him when I the DOS first contacted me.

Can you tell me, what are you looking for, exactly?

I am more than a little concerned about what is going on here and what the intentions are, as I have gotten little to no information from anyone in the government.

Thank you.

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**From:** "Milner, Christy E" <MilnerCE@state.gov>  
**To:** [REDACTED] "Adoptions, Guatemala"  
 <Guatemala.Adoptions@dhs.gov>; [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** "Steinke, Kenya W" <Kenya.Steinke@dhs.gov>; "Steinke, Kenya W" <SteinkeKW@state.gov>; "Accius, Yvon" <AcciusY@state.gov>; "Morales, Astrid" <Astrid.Morales@dhs.gov>; "Concepcion, Alice" <Alice.Concepcion@dhs.gov>; "Anske, Kay L" <AnskeKL@state.gov>; "Roma, Joseph T (Mexico City)" <RomaJT@state.gov>; "Concepcion, Alice" <ConcepcionA@state.gov>; "Cotton, Melissa E" <CottonME@state.gov>; "Roma, Joseph T" <Joseph.T.Roma@dhs.gov>; "Accius, Yvon" <AcciusY@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, February 27, 2009 9:01:20 AM  
**Subject:** RE: [REDACTED] DNA test falsifications

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Ms. [REDACTED] with your permission, I would like to share them with the fraud chief of our consular section.

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 26, 2009 2:45 PM  
**To:** Adoptions, Guatemala; [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Steinke, Kenya W; Steinke, Kenya W; Accius, Yvon; Morales, Astrid; Concepcion, Alice; Anske, Kay L; Roma, Joseph T (Mexico City); Concepcion, Alice; Milner, Christy E; Cotton, Melissa E; Roma, Joseph T; Accius, Yvon  
**Subject:** Re: [REDACTED]-DNA test falsifications

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Dear Sirs and Madams

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Per your request, I have attached 5 photographs of [redacted] from the B6  
 dates spanning Sept. 26, 2007 to October 23, 2007. As I have already stated, she was in my  
 custody on October 4, 2007 and not giving a DNA sample on that date. The date on our DNA  
 test is false.

The pics show my husband, mother, my daughter [redacted] and our house in Antigua [redacted] B6  
 [redacted] that we rented from August 2007 to January 2008. The shot of my mother is a B6  
 Frida's in Antigua. The rest are in our house in Antigua.

**I am assuming these photos will remain private, and I am providing them in good faith that  
 they will not be shared with anyone not directly involved with our case.**

We have not signed a new G-28 form, as we have no attorney on record right now.

Thank you for your time and attention to our case. It is greatly appreciated. Please let me know if  
 you need anything else from us.

Best,

[redacted]

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**From:** Adoptions, Guatemala

**Sent:** Wednesday, February 18, 2009 4:04 PM

**To:** [redacted] Accius, Yvon

**Cc:** Steinke, Kenya W: [steinkekw@state.gov](mailto:steinkekw@state.gov); [AcciusY@state.gov](mailto:AcciusY@state.gov); Morales, Astrid; Concepcion, Alice:  
[AnskeKL@state.gov](mailto:AnskeKL@state.gov); [RomaJT@state.gov](mailto:RomaJT@state.gov); [ConcepcionA@state.gov](mailto:ConcepcionA@state.gov); [MilnerCE@state.gov](mailto:MilnerCE@state.gov); [CottonME@state.gov](mailto:CottonME@state.gov);  
[stebbingmd@state.gov](mailto:stebbingmd@state.gov); Adoptions, Guatemala

**Subject:** RE: [redacted] DNA test falsifications

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Dear Mr. and Mrs. [redacted]

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Thank you for the information that you have provided regarding your I-600 application for beneficiary child [redacted] B6  
 [redacted] You have confirmed that you are still pursuing the adoption of beneficiary child. Therefore, uns B6

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office will keep your file active and it will be treated as an orphan (pre-Hague) case. Since your I-600A was valid on the date the I-600 application was first submitted to USCIS Guatemala, the I-600 petition will be adjudicated.

We understand that the Government of Guatemala's competent authorities (Public Ministry and National Adoption Council) are currently investigating this case. Please notify us of the results of the investigation and the actions that will be taken in order to process this case.

As requested in the message that we sent to you on January 14, 2008, please provide us with any pictures taken to beneficiary child during the month of October 2007.

Also, please clarify if you have signed a new G-28 form to designate a new Guatemalan attorney of record.

If you have any further inquiries regarding the Embassy Panel Physicians, who are responsible to take the DNA samples, you may contact post's Consular Section at: [AdoptGuatemala@state.gov](mailto:AdoptGuatemala@state.gov).

You may contact us at [Guatemala.Adoptions@dhs.gov](mailto:Guatemala.Adoptions@dhs.gov) for any further inquiries.

Sincerely,

Adoption's Unit

Department of Homeland Security

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

Guatemala City, Guatemala

[Guatemala.Adoptions@dhs.gov](mailto:Guatemala.Adoptions@dhs.gov)

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From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: Wednesday, February 18, 2009 9:24 AM  
To: Accius, Yvon

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Cc: Steinke, Kenya W: [steinkek...@state.gov](mailto:steinkek...@state.gov); AcciusYi@state.gov; Morales, Astr... Concepcion, Alice: [AnskeKL@state.gov](mailto:AnskeKL@state.gov); RomaJT@state.gov; ConcepcionA@state.gov; MilnerCE@state.gov; CottonME@state.gov; [stebbingmd@state.gov](mailto:stebbingmd@state.gov); Adoptions, Guatemala  
Subject: [REDACTED]-DNA test falsifications

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Dear Ms. Accius and Ms. Stebbing,

I never received a response yesterday in regard to our immigration issues of [REDACTED] B6  
[REDACTED] and the larger issue of what is being done about the falsified DNA tests used B6  
for immigration to the US. I am now even more concerned that the DNA issue is not being  
addressed, or covered up, given that children are still being issued immigration approval on DNA  
tests exposed to be possibly falsified.

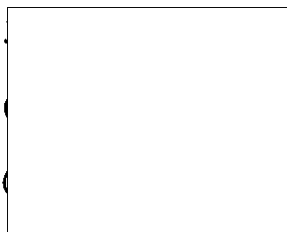
How many children now in the US are here illegally due to these tests? How many (in addition to  
the 2 adopted girls in the midwest that I know of) have even been stolen from their families for  
adoption? Can you imagine the outcry if children were stolen in the US for adoption?

In addition, despite being provided numerous governmental contacts, not one person has offered  
concrete assistance to my family for our immigration questions. I am not clear why this has  
become so problematic. What can I do to facilitate communication?

It is becoming more (painfully) apparent that the lesson here is that by calling out illegalities in  
the adoption process as we did, a family will be left without assistance from the US government.  
In fact, it appears looking the other way to adoption fraud proves to be beneficial, financially and  
emotionally. How terribly tragic. And what does that say for my own government? Who do we  
turn to now?

Can someone please help us?

Thank you,



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**From:** "Accius, Yvon" <AcciusY@state.gov>

**To:** [REDACTED]

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**Sent:** Friday, February 13, 2009 7:26:09 AM

**Subject:** FW: [REDACTED]

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Ms. [REDACTED]

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Since all issues related to the case are USCIS issues, please contact Kenya Steinke directly for updates on the case. He replaces Roma, the officer who used to work your case. Please see her e-mail address below. Thank you!

[Kenya.steinke@dhs.gov](mailto:Kenya.steinke@dhs.gov)

[steinkek@state.gov](mailto:steinkek@state.gov)

Yvon Accius

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**From:** Accius, Yvon

**Sent:** Thursday, February 12, 2009 3:46 PM

**To:** 'Kenya.steinke@dhs.gov'

**Cc:** Steinke, Kenya W; Anske, Kay L

**Subject:** FW: [REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED] B6  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 12, 2009 3:59 PM  
**To:** Accius, Yvon  
**Subject:** Re: I-600 for [REDACTED] B6

Thank you, Yvon.

I look forward to your response.

I am hoping you or someone can answer our specific questions about our I-600 at that time as well?

Best,

[REDACTED] B6

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**From:** "Accius, Yvon" <[AcciusY@state.gov](mailto:AcciusY@state.gov)>  
**To:** [REDACTED] B6  
**Cc:** [Astrid.Morales@dhs.gov](mailto:Astrid.Morales@dhs.gov); "Concepcion, Alice" <[Alicc.Concepcion@dhs.gov](mailto:Alicc.Concepcion@dhs.gov)>; "Anske, Kay L" <[AnskeKL@state.gov](mailto:AnskeKL@state.gov)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 12, 2009 12:23:54 PM  
**Subject:** RE: [REDACTED] B6

Ms. [REDACTED] B6

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I contacted the Embassy. They are aware of your case. I will get back to you by Tuesday 02/17. Thank you!

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 12, 2009 12:12 PM  
**To:** Accius, Yvon  
**Subject:** Re: I-600 for [REDACTED]

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Ms. Accius,

Does this "FYI" mean I can count on your assistance to specific questions and problems?

I would welcome any help.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]

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**From:** "Accius, Yvon" <[AcciusY@state.gov](mailto:AcciusY@state.gov)>  
**To:** [REDACTED] "Roma, Joseph T (Mexico City)" <[RomaJT@state.gov](mailto:RomaJT@state.gov)>;  
"Concepcion, Alice" <[ConcepcionA@state.gov](mailto:ConcepcionA@state.gov)>  
**Cc:** "Anske, Kay L" <[AnskeKL@state.gov](mailto:AnskeKL@state.gov)>; "Milner, Christy E" <[MilnerCE@state.gov](mailto:MilnerCE@state.gov)>; "Cotton, Melissa E" <[CottonME@state.gov](mailto:CottonME@state.gov)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 12, 2009 10:48:17 AM  
**Subject:** RE: I-600 for [REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 12, 2009 11:46 AM  
**To:** Roma, Joseph T (Mexico City); Concepcion, Alice; Accius, Yvon  
**Subject:** Fw: I-600 for [REDACTED]

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Greetings,

We are the family that was the subject of this Associated Press article about DNA fraud in our adoption case.

Below is a small portion of email correspondence, that until today, has been "lost" or systematically ignored. This has been a familiar pattern for over a year when trying to get any form of assistance from my own government.

We are desperately looking for any help we can get for our case, and for addressing the fraud-ridden DNA system currently employed by the USE-GT, a system so tragically flawed, that children are routinely stolen in Guatemala for adoption by US citizens by circumnavigating the DNA test.

It appears the DNA process has not changed, and children continue to be processed using the flawed system. I currently am aware of two children living in Illinois and Iowa who were stolen, passed the DNA test, and were adopted by unsuspecting families. One DNA test I have seen, and [REDACTED] was the processor. It is unclear at this time if the families in the US are aware their children were stolen.

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Why the USE is still employing this deeply flawed DNA system is beyond comprehension. I beg someone to examine this issue.

Thank you,



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----- Forwarded Message -----

**From:** [Redacted]  
**To:** [stebbingmd@state.gov](mailto:stebbingmd@state.gov)  
**Cc:** [Astrid.Morales@dhs.gov](mailto:Astrid.Morales@dhs.gov)  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 12, 2009 10:00:51 AM  
**Subject:** Fw: I-600 for [Redacted]

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Dear Ms. Stebbing and Ms. Morales,

This is the written response I sent January 14, 2008 in response to the "contactless" email I received the same day.

I look forward to corresponding with you to help resolve our problematic case.

Thank you so much for your time and consideration,



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----- Forwarded Message -----

**From:** [Redacted]  
**To:** "Adoptions, Guatemala" <[Guatemala.Adoptions@dhs.gov](mailto:Guatemala.Adoptions@dhs.gov)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 14, 2009 2:24:58 PM  
**Subject:** Re: I-600 for [Redacted]

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Greetings,

Please see the answers to your questions below. Link to AP article addressing our case in [USA Today](#)

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Our case has become very problematic, it being investigated for fraud, and we have no one to talk to from our own government.

Can you help us by providing a contact person?

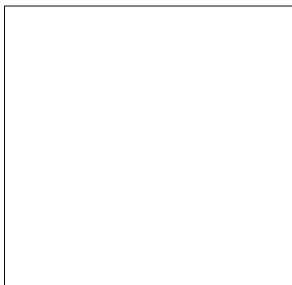
I am greatly concerned that the DNA fraud that was involved in our case is being ignored by my own government, and children are being illegally processed for adoption and immigration to the US.

I am aware that immigration visas are still being granted to children processed under the (now exposed) faulty DNA processing system. I am aware that DNA is still being taken and processed through Grupo Pediatrico (who are not Panel Physicians, correct?). I am aware that Labcorp is still processing DNA tests, despite not adhering to AABB testing guidelines (which grants them immigration DNA testing ability) by processing tests void of birthmother ID (as was on our test and stolen child [redacted]). I am aware that [redacted] is still processing cases, and was in fact in the USE on Monday. B6

Why is no one doing anything?

I will be in Guatemala January 25-29. Can I please meet with someone from the Embassy?

Thank you,



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**From:** "Adoptions, Guatemala" <Guatemala.Adoptions@dhs.gov>

**To:** [redacted]

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**Cc:** [redacted]

**Sent:** Wednesday, January 14, 2009 11:49:51 AM

**Subject:** I-600 for [redacted]

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Dear Mr. and Mrs. [redacted]

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This office is currently reviewing the I-600 application submitted on your behalf for subject beneficiary child on October 2, 2007.

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This date does not correspond to the dates we have for filing our I-600. Can you please elaborate where this date originates from? We began the adoption (officially) in July, 2007.

Please provide the following information regarding the status of your case:

1) Are you still pursuing the adoption of beneficiary child

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YES. We are unclear whether we are grandfathered in under I-600 or under the Hague I-800, as we will be processing the adoption through the CNA. Can you help us with this? Our I-171H has expired we understand and we are starting from scratch to have a legal and ethical adoption.

2) If yes (to question number 1), please provide the current information corresponding to the Guatemalan attorney, notary and the U.S. adoption agency that are involved in the process.

US agency: Adoption Blessings Worldwide (now closed due to licensing violations)

GT Attorney:

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GT Facilitator:

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DNA processors: Grupo Pediatrico and

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Currently, as I have been told by MP prosecutor [redacted] are being investigated for adoption crimes and money laundering. Our case is under active investigation by the MP and CNA for the DNA fraud. Our case is in abandonment with Judge Mena overseeing it. They are trying to find [redacted] biological family.

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There is a criminal court date on January 27, to order a new (legal) DNA test. I will be in Guatemala for the hearing. I requested a meeting with Howard Betts but was ignored. I emailed Mr. Arnoldo Milián of the USE, a contact I was given by the MP for testifying information, and I never heard back from him, either. We are desperately looking for someone to help us, and address these issues.

3) Do you know the current location of beneficiary child [redacted] If so, please provide the detailed information such as: 3.1) Name of foster mother 3.2) Address.

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Yes. Hannah's Hope in Guatemala City, Zona 10 (Oakland district). Run by American agency All God's Children International. We have supported her since August, 2007 and continue to do so.

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She is under protective custody of the CNA because associates of [redacted] tried to take her from the foster mother we paid and hired 2 days before the Birth Mother Interview deadline (the birthmother never showed up for the interview). B6

You had stated that you were in Antigua Guatemala with beneficiary child [redacted] on October 4, 2007, which is the alleged date when the DNA samples were taken to the biological mother and beneficiary child. B6  
Do you happen to have any pictures taken on that day? If you do, can you please provide us with copies of these pictures.

Ironically, this is our wedding anniversary, so I am confident what I was doing on that day. I have photos of Hazel in our house in Antigua ([redacted] from that time period, but I have no idea if I have a photo from that exact date. I did not take photos everyday. B6

This is what I can provide in way of proof that I was in Antigua with custody of [redacted] B6

•ATM withdraw on October 4, 2007 from Guatemala

•copy of entry/exit stamps in my passport

•My legal foster papers from September 2007 onward (making me the foster mother)

•An affidavit swearing I was in Antigua on October 4, 2007 and that [redacted] was *not* giving DNA on that day, which was provided to my US attorney for a television interview she gave. B6

If that is not sufficient, I can have my live-in nanny testify I had custody of [redacted] on that day, my husband, parents, or my US attorney [redacted] B6  
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Sincerely,

Adoption's Unit

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

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